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For: METHODS OF PREPARING AND USING ELECTROSTATICALLY
TREATED FLUIDS

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified divisional application, please amend the above-identified divisional application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 10-25 without prejudice.

Please add new Claims 26-41. Attached please find a clean set of claims. New Claims 26-41 are as follows:

26. [New] An energized fluid prepared with an electrostatic device, wherein the energized fluid can bear a negative charge for a period of at least one day after being formed by the electrostatic device and wherein the electrostatic device comprises: